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Re: NewComm Net, Inc.'s IntraLATA Toll Dialing Parity
Plan for Maryland, CC Docket 96-98; File No. NSD-L-98-121

Dear Secretary Salas:

Pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC" or "Commission") March 23, 1999 order in the above-captioned docket,¹ enclosed for filing are an original and four (4) copies of the IntraLATA Toll Dialing Parity Plan filed by NewComm Net, Inc. ("NewComm") with the Maryland Public Service Commission ("PSC") on June 15, 1999 ("Proposed Maryland Plan" or "Plan"). In accordance with the Commission's June 18, 1999 Public Notice in the same docket, NewComm also is sending two additional copies of its Proposed Maryland Plan for Mr. Al McCloud of the FCC's Network Services Division.

NewComm has not yet received notice of approval of its Proposed Maryland Plan. NewComm, therefore, files the Plan in accordance with the Commission's direction in its March 23, 1999 order to local exchange carriers ("LECs") to file their plans with the Commission on June 22, 1999, if "a state commission has not yet acted on a LEC's intraLATA toll dialing parity implementation plan."


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¹ Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and Petition of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Pacific Bell, and Nevada Bell Expedited Declaratory Ruling on Interstate IntraLATA Toll Dialing Parity or, in the Alternative, Various Other Relief, Order, CC Docket 96-98, NSD File No. L-98-121, FCC 99-54 (rel. March 23, 1999).

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Please date-stamp and return the enclosed extra copy of this filing. Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,


for Kemal Hawa

Counsel for NewComm Net, Inc.

Enclosure

cc: Al McCloud (FCC)
Gerald McCloskey (NewComm)
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NEWCOMM NET, INC.

INTRALATA TOLL DIALING PARITY PLAN

INTRODUCTION

NewComm Net, Inc. ("NewComm") has implemented the following processes which are designed to give end user customers the opportunity to designate a carrier for their intraLATA toll call traffic in those market areas where NewComm is a facilities-based local exchange service provider. IntraLATA toll calls will automatically be directed to the designated carrier without the customer having to dial an access code.

POLICIES

NewComm will deploy two-PIC (Primary Interexchange Carrier) technology in its switches enabling customers to pre-subscribe to either the same or two different carriers for their intraLATA and interLATA service.

Appropriate tariffs will be revised and filed in accordance with this plan.

NewComm will offer customers the ability to access all participating carriers by dialing the appropriate access code (10XXX/101XXX).

All eligible NewComm end user telephone line numbers will be pre-subscribed and have a PIC associated with them.

CARRIER INFORMATION

Interexchange carriers will have the option of offering intraLATA service only or intraLATA and interLATA service.

Interexchange carriers will have the option of participating in all market areas or in a specific market area.

Interexchange carriers will be required to return a completed Non-Disclosure Agreement and Participation Agreement(s).

NewComm will not participate in billing disputes for intraLATA service between an alternative competing interexchange carrier and its customers.

NewComm representatives will not initiate or accept three-way calls from an alternative interexchange carriers in order to discuss pre-subscription.

Carriers wishing to participate will be requested to submit Access Service Requests/Translation Questionnaires to the Access Tandem owner and to NewComm.

CALL ELIGIBILITY/TOLL DIALING PLAN

All local service customers of NewComm will have calls routed according to the following plan:

If a NewComm Customer Dials:	The Call is Handled By/Routed To:
911	PSAP on originating line number
411/555-1212	NewComm's Directory Assistance Operator
0-	NewComm's Operator
0 + intraexchange number	IntraLATA Toll Provider
1 + 7 or 10 digits	IntraLATA Toll Provider
0 + 7 or 10 digits interexchange number	InterLATA Toll Provider
10XXX or 101XXXX + 0-	XXX/XXXX Carrier
10XXX or 101XXXX + 0 + 7 or 10 digits	XXX/XXXX Carrier
10XXX or 101XXXX + 7 or 10 digits	XXX/XXXX Carrier

If a NewComm customer originates a call to an alternative interexchange carrier's Operator by dialing 00-, the call will be routed to the PIC on that customer's line. If the customer originates a call to an alternative interexchange carrier's Operator by dialing an access code (e.g., 10XXX/101XXXX + 0-), the call will be routed to the XXX/XXXX carrier. In both cases, the carrier's switch is responsible for routing this call to the alternative interexchange carrier's Operator or to an announcement.

NETWORK INFORMATION

All originating intraLATA traffic will initially be routed via the incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (LEC) Access Tandem(s). Following conversion, direct trunks between the NewComm switch and the interexchange carrier location(s) may be provided when warranted by traffic volume.

Interexchange carriers must have Feature Group D trunks in place (or ordered) between their point of presence and the incumbent LEC Access Tandem(s).

NewComm will route all originating intraLATA traffic to the designated carrier and will only block traffic at the request of the end user customer and/or in compliance with regulatory requirements. Requests from carriers to block traffic or to remove customers from their network will not be honored. Calls that cannot be completed to a carrier will be routed to an announcement.

CUSTOMER CONTACT INFORMATION

NewComm customer contact representatives will process customer initiated PIC selections to NewComm or to an alternative intraLATA carrier. Carriers will have the option of allowing the NewComm representative to process PIC requests on their behalf.

NewComm will not ballot or allocate its customer base. At the time of conversion, all customers will be "PIC'd" to NewComm unless another carrier is chosen by the particular customer.

NewComm customer contact representatives will respond to customer inquiries about intraLATA carriers in a competitively neutral fashion. If a customer requests information on alternative carriers other than NewComm, a list of participating carriers will be read to that customer in random order by NewComm representatives.

If the intraLATA toll carrier selected by the customer permits NewComm to process orders on its behalf, NewComm will accept the PIC change request. If the customer selects an intraLATA toll carrier that does not allow NewComm to process PIC changes on its behalf, NewComm will provide the customer with the carrier's toll-free number (if provided by the carrier).

NewComm representatives will not discuss alternative carrier rates or services and will not provide customers with Carrier Identification Codes or access code dialing instructions.

PRE-SUBSCRIPTION INFORMATION

A \$5.00 PIC change charge will be incurred and billed to a NewComm customer for each eligible line where a PIC change is made. NewComm will offer its customers a 90-day grace period following the implementation of this plan during which the customers may change intraLATA carriers without incurring a PIC change charge. Customers can make multiple PIC changes during these 90 days at no charge. After the 90-day period, NewComm will assess the \$5.00 PIC change charge for each PIC change made. NewComm will offer interexchange carriers the option of having the PIC charge billed to the carrier or directly to the customer.

NewComm will not market intraLATA PIC freezes before or during the 90-day period, but may provide them if requested by the customer. NewComm will accept the use of three-way calls to remove PIC freezes when the customer's intraLATA toll presubscription choice has been frozen. NewComm will still follow the verification procedures for PIC changes (e.g. independent third party verification, written letter of authorization, electronic authorization) as provided for by the Federal Communications Commission and Maryland Commission rules.

New line customers, including customers adding lines, will have the opportunity to select a participating carrier, or they will be assigned a NO PIC designation. If a customer cannot decide upon an intraLATA carrier at the time of order, NewComm may extend a 30-day period following placement of the customer's service order for the customer to select an intraLATA carrier without

charge. Such a customer will be assigned a NO PIC designation in the interim. After this 30-day period, NewComm will assess the \$5.00 PIC change charge as described above. Customers assigned a NO PIC designation as set forth in this paragraph will be required to dial an access code to reach an intraLATA carrier's network.

Alternative interexchange carriers may submit PIC changes to NewComm via a fax/paper interface.

NewComm will process intraLATA PIC selections in the same manner and under the same intervals of time as interLATA PIC changes.

Carriers will be required to submit PIC changes using the Customer Account Record Exchange (CARE) format via paper medium. NewComm will provide carriers with PIC order confirmation and reject information using the CARE format. Specific details regarding CARE will be provided to participating carriers.

For customers who change their local service provider from the incumbent LEC to NewComm and retain their incumbent LEC telephone number(s), NewComm, as part of the CARE PIC process, will provide the selected intraLATA carrier with both the retained (incumbent LEC) telephone number and the NewComm telephone number.

Dated: June 15, 1999